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Response to Restriction Requirement & Preliminary Amendment

## **REMARKS**

Any fees that may be due in connection with the filing of this paper or with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050. If a Petition for Extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

Original claims 1-60 are subject to a Restriction Requirement. Claims 23-56, 60 and 61 are currently pending in this case. Claims 1-22 and 57-59, which are drawn to non-elected subject matter, are cancelled herein without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant expressly reserves the right to file a divisional application(s) to the subject matter of claims 1-22 and 57-59.

Claim 50 is amended herein to correct a minor typographical error. Claim 51 is amended herein to more distinctly claim the subject matter. Basis for new claim 61 can be found throughout the specification (for example, see page and claim 51 as filed). No new matter is added.

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Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. In view of the election, amendments and remarks herein, examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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